

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)
	E. Marlowe Goble et al.	)
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Serial No.:	10/798,665	) Art Unit
		) 3733
Filed:	March 11, 2004	)
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Confirmation No.:	6304	)
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For:	IMPLANTS AND RELATED METHODS AND	)
	APPARATUS FOR SECURING AN IMPLANT	)
	ON AN ARTICULATING SURFACE OF AN	)
	ORTHOPEDIC JOINT	)
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Examiner:	David Comstock	)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated April 17, 2008, in the above-identified patent application be extended for two-months until September 17, 2008.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$460.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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